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SUBJECT: FY 2006 IVLP- NOMINATION AND PART I BIODATA FOR MR.  
FREDERIC BOURCIER - ALTERNATE CANDIDATE FOR INDIVIDUAL  
PROGRAM.

REF:

START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):  
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(Alternate)  
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STATUS: N  
ORIGINATOR: P  
SUBJ-DISC: Politics & Parties  
START BIO:  
PREFIX: Mr.  
F-NAME: Frederic  
M-NAME:  
L-NAME: Bourcier  
SUFFIX:  
POSITION-CODE: 0  
PRINCIPAL?: No  
M-ADDR1: Hotel de Ville  
M-ADDR2: Place de la Mairie - BP 3126  
M-ADDR3:  
M-CITY: Rennes  
M-STATE:  
M-CNTRY: France  
M-ZONE: 35031 cedex  
M-ZIP:  
M-PHONE: + (33) 2.99.28.57.01  
M-FAX: + (33) 2.99.28.40.63  
M-EMAIL: fbourcier@ville-rennes.fr  
M-CNTRY-ID: FR  
M-ADDRTYPE: B  
GENDER: M  
DOB: 01/02/1970  
MAR-STAT: M  
BIRTH-CITY: Argentan  
BIRTH-CNTRY: France  
CITIZ-CNTRY: France  
RES-CNTRY: France  
START MEMO POSITION:  
Adjunct Mayor of Rennes, in charge of Educational Affairs and  
Elementary Schools, since 2001  
END MEMO POSITION:  
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
- President of the French Network of City Education  
Policymakers, a worldwide education network, since 2001

- Chair, Ille-et-Vilaine Department Socialist Party, since 2003  
END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
Until 2001 - Executive Director of an information technology company in Rennes  
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
None  
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
- Australia - 2003, study Australian education  
- Spain - frequent trips, meet with colleagues in Worldwide Education Network  
- Italy - frequent trips, meet with colleagues in Worldwide Education Network  
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO EDUCATION:  
1992 - B.A. in computer science and mathematics (licence), University of Rennes I  
1990 - Associate Degree in Mathematics  
END MEMO EDUCATION:  
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
- Socialist Party since 1986  
- Member and Chairman of the French Network of City Education Policymakers  
END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
  
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:  
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:  
  
END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:  
FIRST-LANG: French  
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START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:  
Because of his increasing influence within the Party, Frederic Bourcier will certainly be an important opinion maker in France in the coming years and is potentially a valuable future contact for the USG. It is our hope that as a result of his participation in the IV program, Frederic Bourcier will be inclined to seek out U.S. views on International Affairs issues and support cooperation with the U.S. both privately and publicly. As President of the French Network of City Education Policymakers, he could advocate a more balanced view of the United States at a time when its image is somewhat negative in the French media and institutions of learning at all levels.  
END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:  
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:  
Mr. Bourcier should learn about American political institutions and should meet with elected officials so as to better understand the U.S. political system. Additionally, he should meet with high-profile educators and education policy makers with whom he can exchange views on current trends in education, especially at the elementary level.  
END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:  
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:  
  
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NOMINATING-OFFICER: Eric Beaty  
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
Mr. Frederic Bourcier has impressed me with his public speaking ability and his breadth of knowledge of international educational systems. A youthful member of the French Socialist Party and chairman of the regional party structure, Bourcier has a bright future ahead of him. He is also interested in American history, culture and education and does not proffer the usual worn clichs that shape many French politicians' opinions of the United States. When Rennes Mayor and fellow Socialist Edmond Herve (at the helm of the city since 1977) steps down in the next few years, he is likely to handpick Bourcier to succeed him.  
At 33 years of age, Bourcier already has the political expertise and connections that he will need to become a leading light in the French Socialist Party and perhaps a Minister in a future Socialist French government. By his own

admission, however, he does not possess an in-depth view of U.S. institutions, politics and culture. An I.V. program at this early stage in his career will make him more receptive to American thinking or issues of mutual interest.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: APP Rennes, France

SPEAKER?: No

NOTIFY-EMB: No

MEDIA?: No

HOME-STAY: No

HOME-HOSP?: No

E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER

NOMINEE-ID: 577

PERSON-ID: 476

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CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: FR

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